

Procedures for Annual Adjustments Newton County

Residential

- Step 1: The Residential land values were trended by sales of vacant land within the neighborhood. Sales were used of vacant parcels as well as improved parcels that were vacant at the time of sale. In neighborhoods where there were no vacant land sales, the land was trended using an allocation of land to building using improved sales. Values were adjusted using trending factors; there were no base rates changed.
- Step 2: After the land factors were established, those values were added to the current improvement values and compared to the improved sale prices. A separate trending factor was then applied to the dwelling of the property to raise or lower the values to an acceptable median level. If there were no sales in the neighborhood, then consideration was given to homes for sale in the neighborhood or the neighborhood was trended using similar neighborhoods or a township trending factor.
- Step 3: The newly established trending factors were applied to all properties within that neighborhood and a sales ratio study and abstract were ran to verify the changes.

Commercial / Industrial

- Step 1: The C/I land values were trended by sales of vacant land within the neighborhood. Sales were used of vacant parcels as well as improved parcels that were vacant at the time of sale. In neighborhoods where there were no vacant land sales, the land was changed by comparing them to like neighborhoods. Values were adjusted using trending factors; there were no base rates changed.
- The land values for rural commercial and industrial properties were trended with the same factor applied to the residential land.
- Step 2: After the land factors were established, those values were added to the current improvement values and compared to the improved sale prices. A separate trending factor was then applied to the improvements of the property to raise or lower the values to an acceptable median level. When reviewing all of the commercial sales available it was determined that the median, the PRD and the COD fell within the IAAO standards.
- Step 3: The newly established trending factors were applied to all properties within that neighborhood and a sales ratio study and abstract were ran to verify the changes.